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## DESCRIPTION OF FIVE NEW SPECIES OF BIRDS FROM THE BAHAMAS.

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[By E. J. Maynard]

I wish to describe the following species of Birds from the Bahamas, provisionally, in advance of my work on illustrations and notes of Birds of the Bahamas.

### BAHAMA FISH HAWK.

*Pandion Ridgweir.*— Head and neck all round entire lower parts white, excepting a narrow line of dusky back of eye, and a slight streaking of brownish on top of head, between eyes. Above rather pale brown, each feather margined with lighter. Bill and cere dark bluish, iris yellow, feet pale blue : dimensions, wings, 17, bill, 135, tarcis, 235. Single specimen obtained at Andros, but I saw others similar.

### BAHAMA RAIL.

*Rallus Corrius.*— Above, pale yellowish brown streaked with pale ashy; wings, light reddish, coming paler on outer edges, beneath pale ashy, tinged with reddish across breast, becoming white on throat and abdomen, banded faintly on sides and flanks with white and pale ashy: dimensions, wings, 540; bill, 225; tarcis, 175. I shot only a single specimen of this peculiarly pallie rail, on an Island off the south shore of Andros.

I have named it for Mr. C. B. Cory who has done more to increase our knowledge of West Indian birds than any other living ornithologist.

### BAHAMA GROUND DOVE.

*Chamaepelia Bahamensis.* — Similar to the common ground dove, but with a bill constantly wholly black, and much smaller and paler; occurs throughout the Bahamas. 'Tis only after considerable hesitation that I name these species even provisionally; 'tis also possible that Linnaeus of Columba passerina, was based on specimens of this species, and not on birds of the continent of North America.

In event of this proving the case, I propose the name of Chamaepelia purpurea for the larger continental dove.

### SOUTHERN YELLOW-WINGED SPARROW.

*Ammo Dromus Australis.* — Similar to the Nothern yellow-wing; but smaller, darker, and in all stages of plumage streaked across the breast. Rare on the Bahamas, but constantly in Florida.

### LITTLE BAHAMA YELLOW THROAT.

*Geothlypis Restrieta.*— Above, dark olive green with space next to black neck, abruptly ashy, mask restricted on the cheeks to about the same width as on the forehead, beneath, light yellow becoming lighter on abdomen and brownish on sides; wings shorter and rougher than in the common trechas: dimensions, wing, 2.40; bill, 23; tracus, 25. Occurs on Bahamas.

(*To be continued.*)

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